

ship to every part of the Dominion. The manager, Mr. W. H. Ferram, has displayed considerable taste in the fitting and equipment of his offices. In the facilities for shipment this company is unsurpassed, for two side tracks have been laid into its grounds, one from each of the railroads before mentioned. Then there is a comparatively new but very active industry, represented by the Dodge Wood Split Pulley Co. They have a large brick building at the Junction, and give employment to forty hands. J. O. Wagner has erected a large planing mill and sash and door factory here; a large lumber yard adjoining. There is also a mattress factory and two or three smaller establishments. The contemplated erection of the C.P.R. railroad shops for this division, with a monthly roll of payments of some \$40,000, will considerably enhance the importance of West Toronto Junction as an industrial point.

#### WIARTON.

Wiarion is a stirring town of about 2,000 inhabitants. One of the latest evidences of its practical business spirit was the formation of a Board of Trade, the personnel of which has been given in these columns. We learn from the secretary that the following shipments were made by rail during 1890: Lumber, lath, etc., 3,201 carloads; bark, by the Ontario Bark Co., 394; posts and paving cedar, 150; fish, by Clark & McKay, 200; furniture, by Simon & Hill, 75; live stock, about 25, and 200 carloads of sundry freight, which latter is considered a low estimate. G. P. Magann, through his agent, James McCarthy, shipped from there upwards of 100,000 railroad ties. The output of two large lime kilns, together with potatoes, grain, etc. help to swell the total, while the way freight business will average two carloads per day. This does not include considerable quantities of goods forwarded by the steamers "Atlantic" and "Pacific" and local coasting vessels. What with a splendid harbor, a system of waterworks costing about \$17,000, electric lighting, and a telephone communication, which will be completed by the 1st July, the new Board of Trade has interests at stake that will justify all the attention its members can give them. About the only drawback is the absence of an agency of a chartered bank, but this will come in due time.

#### OLD CLOTHES.

HOW TO SELL THEM—ALSO HOW TO BUY.

Mr. Jacob Rose-in-bloom keeps a second-hand store in Jerusalem Row. He pays the very highest cash price for ladies' and gentlemen's cast-off clothing. "You send a post-card and he does the rest." Mr. Harry Burdette and Mr. Jack Rutledge, young men of the period, are room-mates, and finding themselves with a surplus stock of attire, a little *passé*, namely, an overcoat, two pair of trousers, and a tweed suit, Mr. Rose-in-bloom was notified, and came promptly to the boys' relief with a "barrel of money." They figured on getting \$15 for the "lay out." Failing in getting this, they agreed that they would accept \$10, but no less. Harry was to be the salesman for the occasion, while Jack hid in the closet to enjoy the fun.

"This suit," said Harry, "cost \$25; these two pair of pants cost \$7 the pair; and the overcoat cost \$25. They are all in good condition: now, what will you give for the lot?"

"Vell, vwhat you take?" asked Rosey. "I'm in a hurry, so to save time I will take \$15 and no less."

Mr. Rose-in-bloom staggered. He caught hold of the table and gasped, "Fifteen tollars! fifteen tollars!! Mi cracious, I vwhas dreaming. I thought dat vwhas second-hand clothes you had to sell."

"Well," said Harry, "I'm only asking a second-hand price, what's the matter with you?"

"Young mans, for that coat I can get three tollars; dose pants will bring one tollar and a halluf—dat suit is no goot, itees played out—I will give you six tollars for de lot."

"I'll see you d—d first," shouted Harry. "I'll put 'em in the stove rather than sell them for six dollars."

"Young mans, dose pants is worn out: dat overcoat will tumble to pieces before I get it gold. I will give seven tollars for de lot."

"Look here, old man. You can have them for ten dollars, and not a cent less."

"Mine young friend, you buy clothes at dose swell shops on King street. Dey cheat you. Here's *my* card. Vwhen you wants cheap goots shust call on me. I'll gif you nine tollars for dis lot."

"You can't have them."

"Nine-feefy."

"No, nor nine ninety-five."

"Vhell, I will take dem for ten tollars, but I will lose money on dose goots. Good day."

A few evenings afterwards Mr. Jack Rutledge, disguised as a young laboring man, called at Jerusalem Row. Among the first articles he got hold of was his own old suit. Looking round for the persuasive Rose-in-bloom, he said: "How much for the old suit?"

"Dot suit, young mans, was a misfit. It vvas only worn shust tree days by a shentleman in the Parliament House. It iss all wool Scotch goods—it cost 35 tollars—I will sell dot suit for 12 tollars."

"How much for the old overcoat?"

"Old overcoat, you say, young man! Unless you are prepared to pay fifteen tollars it vvas no use talking. Dot vvas left here to sell by a shentleman in the bank. Vhy, bless you, my friend, it cost thirty tollars."

"And those pants?" said Jack, taking hold of the friends he knew so well, "How much?"

"Say, young man, you are shust now looking at der finest goots in der store—dose pants vvas made in England, and der shentleman died the week after they were made—West of England goots—der price is only four tollars—worth nine; bootiful, bootiful goots!"

"Good night," said Jack. When he got home and told Harry about the big bargains to be had in Jerusalem Row, Harry remarked: "The time will surely come when the Rose-in-blooms will inherit the earth and all that therein is."

#### FASHIONS IN JEWELLERY.

There are bracelets with diamond bow-knots.

Happy is the possessor of a gold chain and bead purse.

Black enameled watch chains are made for men in mourning.

A bird's wing of diamonds affords an effective hair ornament.

The tendency is again for gold linings in silver cups, bowls, cream jugs and the like.

A novelty in individual salts are canoe-shaped ones, with tiny silver paddles for spoons.

For bedrooms and boudoir there are silver-

fluted twisted candlesticks, with carved standards.

Scissors with silver handles that fold over and protect the sharp points are made for carrying in one's pocket.

Jewel boxes of rock crystal mounted in silver are counted among other high art articles that find a place in the boudoir.

Silver powder boxes beautifully chased and decorated with medallion portraits of historical persons are greatly admired.

A unique finger ring is a solid diamond heart surmounted by a diamond crown. This double design also figures as a brooch.

There is a great demand for silver bowls, these dishes being employed for a variety of purposes, as for salads, fruits, cracked ice and desserts.—*Jewelers' Circular*.

#### FOR MANUFACTURERS AND OTHERS.

A peculiar case of excessive coal consumption is reported from France. An official engineer, having been called to investigate the cause of an increase in the consumption of fuel by a large battery of boilers, discovered that the phenomenon was due to the presence of water in the smoke shafts. The measures which were taken to exclude the water have resulted in a saving of 16 per cent. in the annual coal bill.

Cork covering for steam pipes has proved so successful, says *Invention*, that in some cases it has been found to make a difference of 100 deg. to 124 deg. from the temperature of uncovered pipes.

A Scotch inventor makes a solid round band of rope, for power transmission, by impregnating flat webs of canvas or other fabrics with a solution of gutta-percha, rolling it upon itself, and wrapping with cloth. A flat web is made in a similar manner by folding the fabric into layers of the desired width and passing it through a pressure roll.

Optician (to his clerk)—"In sending out the new price lists be sure to write the address particularly small. I want to make people see and feel how necessary it is to use spectacles."—*Fliegende Blätter*.

An English journal states that an electric power hammer has been devised, which represents a radically new application of electro-magnetic principles. The novelty of the apparatus lies in the substitution of electro-magnetic power of steam by a slight and very simple modification of the mechanism. The piston is of magnetic material, and the cylinder is composed of a series of coils, through each of which an electric current may be passed separately. The apparatus is virtually an immense electro-magnet, the cylinder being the coil and the piston answering to the core.

The Wm. Hamilton Mfg. Co., of Peterboro, and the Jno. Doty Engine Co., of this city, have opened branches in Vancouver, B.C. The last named company will represent in Vancouver the Gutta Percha and Rubber Mfg. Co., of Toronto.

A letter has been received from Boston men interested in cotton mills asking for the cooperation of Fall River manufacturers in an attempt to curtail production by a general shut-down. The depression in the cloth market has increased, and the quotations at which spot goods were disposed of last week are the lowest ever known.

The Southern Malleable Iron Works, Chattanooga, Tenn., the first malleable iron plant ever erected in the South, have just began